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May 3, 1996

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Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a), are 105(2) copies of a Termination of Agreement, dated as of May 1, 1996, a secondary document as defined in the Commission's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the Locomotive Lease Agreement, which was previously filed with the Commission under Recordation Number 18810.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Lessor: National Railway Equipment Co.

PO Box 2270

Dixmoor, Illinois 60426

Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation Lessee:

337 22nd Avenue South

Brookings, South Dakota 57006

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

Six (6) locomotives identified on Schedule I to the Termination of Agreement

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Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$21.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return one stamped copy of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Alvord

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18810 A

TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

THIS TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT is made this 1st day of May, 1996, by and between DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation ("Lessee"), and NATIONAL RAILWAY EQUIPMENT CO., an Illinois Corporation ("Lessor").

WHEREAS, Lessee and Lessor are parties to a Locomotive Agreement, dated as of April 12, 1994 (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement was duly filed for recordation with the Interstate Commerce Commission (the "ICC"), now know as the Surface Transportation Board, pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Section 11303, on May 17, 1994, at 9:40 a.m. and given Recordation Number 18810; and

WHEREAS, Lessee and Lessor desire to terminate and cancel the Agreement with respect to the equipment described herein and to record such termination and cancellation with the ICC;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged, Lessee and Lessor, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

- 1. Lessee and Lessor hereby terminate and cancel the Agreement, effective upon the passage of Title and Risk of Loss as defined in the Lease Termination and Agreement of Purchase dated May 1, 1996 between the parties, with respect to the equipment described on Schedule 1 attached hereto (hereinafter, the "Terminated Equipment").
- 2. The parties agree to record this Termination of Agreement with the Surface Transportation Board so as to release any lien against the Terminated Equipment created by or arising out of the Agreement.
- 3. This Termination of Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each executed counterpart constituting an original but all together only one Termination of Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessee and Lessor have caused this Termination of Agreement to be executed as of the day and year first above written.

DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION

Ita Chief Financial Officer

NATIONAL RAILWAY EQUIPMENT CO.

Its Chief Financial Officer President

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

On this, the _____ day of May, 1996, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Kurt Feaster, of Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation, who acknowledged himself to be a duly authorized officer of Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation, and that, as such officer, being authorized to do so, he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name:

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Residing in:

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

On this, the <u>3nd</u> day of May, 1996, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Lawrence J. Beal, of National Railway Equipment Co., who acknowledged himself to be a duly authorized officer of National Railway Equipment Co., and that, as such officer, being authorized to do so, he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

OFFICIAL SEAL
DEBRA L. RADTKE
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 4-18-97

Name: Debra L Radtke

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4-1847 Residing in: Will County

SCHEDULE 1 TO TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

Six (6), General Motors Electro-Motive Division model SD40, 3000 horsepower, dynamic brake equipped, diesel-electric locomotives bearing the following Unit Reporting Marks and Numbers:

DME 4000 (former UP 180)

DME 4001 (former UP 181)

DME 4002 (former UP 643)

DME 4003 (former UP 608)

DME 4004 (former UP 622)

DME 4005 (former UP 631)

CERTIFICATION

STATE	OF	ILLINOIS	
COUNTY	O	WILL	

The undersigned, Lawrence J. Beal, certifies that he has read the attached document and that said document is identical to the complete and original Termination of Agreement.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <u>and</u> day of ______,1996.

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Notary Public

OFFICIAL SEAL DEBRA L. RADTKE NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 4-18-97

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD WASHINGTON, D.C. 20425-0001

5/6/96

Robert W. Alvord Alvord And Alvord 918 Sixteenth Street, NW., Ste. 200 Washington, DC., 20006-2973

Dear Sir:

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of Section 11303 of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 11303, on 5/6/96 at 11:40AM, and assigned recordation number(s). 17636-F, 18810-A and 19632-A

Sincerely yours,

Vernon A. Williams Secretary

Enclosure(s)

\$_63.00 (The amount indicated at the left has been received in payment of a fee in connection with a document filed on the date shown. This receipt is issued for the amount paid and in no way indicates acknowledgment that the fee paid is correct. This is accepted subject to review of the document which has been assigned the transaction number corresponding to the one typed on this receipt. In the event of an error or any questions concerning this fee, you will receive a notification after the Commission has had an opportunity to examine your document.

Senice M. Fort

Signature__